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For: CATALYST CARRIER HOLDING MEMBER, METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME
AND CATALYST CONVERTER

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RESPONSE

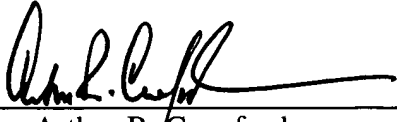
Responsive to the Official Action of September 27, 2004 and the requirement for restriction presented in it, applicants elect the subject matter of Group I, namely claims 1-11 and 16. This response is made with traverse to the extent the non-elected process claims may be rejoined once the elected product claims are in condition for allowance.

Please examine the elected claims taking into account the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 23, 2001. An examination on the merits is awaited.

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